GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:299
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e-NAM Scheme
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether e-platform of the National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) has seen lukewarm response and if so, the facts thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there is a proposal to allow inter-State trade to boost agricultural income and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether only 250 regulated wholesale markets spread across 12 States under the respective Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees (APMCs) have so far been integrated with the e-NAM platform and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of the agricultural products presently under e-NAM and the total trade turnover achieved under e-NAM so far, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to accelerate the process and achieve the target of integration of 400 APMCs in various States along with effective implementation of the e-NAM scheme in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 299 DUE FOR REPLY ON 6TH DECEMBER, 2016.

(a): The response of the States for integration of APMCs with States is quite encouraging. Against a target of integration of 200 mandis by 30th September, 2016; 238 mandis from 10 States have been integrated with e-NAM platform. Till 25th November, 2016, 23.86 lakh MT of agri-commodities worth Rs. 4558 Crore has been traded on e-NAM which indicates a good response from the users.

(b): Yes, Madam. The e-NAM aims at integrating the primary agricultural markets (APMCs) both within and across states. The progress will happen in a phased manner. The inter market online trade on the e-NAM platform requires some statutory changes to the APMC act. Department is working on this and a committee has been constituted under the chairman ship of Dr Ashok Gulati to examine the needed changes.

(c): So far 250 APMCs from 10 States have been integrated with e-NAM platform.

(d): Details of products presently traded on e-NAM and the total trade turnover so far achieved under e-NAM is provided in Annexure-I.

(e): Department has so far granted in principle approval for integration of 399 APMCs from 14 States, with e-NAM. It is targeted to achieve integration of a cumulative of 400 mandis by March, 2017. Department along with SFAC is closely monitoring the progress of implementation.